COMMON BUSINESS DATA MANAGEMENT

ABSTRACT

A method and structure for maintaining common business control data across a plurality of applications is provided. A model of business rules is developed and entered in a relational database. Business control data is entered into the database according to the rules and thereafter respective portions of the business control are disseminated to a plurality of applications. A common data administration application may be used to receive input from logged on individuals and automated feed from a source system and enter business data into the relational database. The applications are designed to integrate portions of the common data model and rules. The data model itself is reproduced in part across all of the applications so that when the common data administration application updates data and rules, that data is propagated to distributed relational databases that have the same structure and rules.